IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA MONTGOMERY DIVISION

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JEROME W. GRIFFIN, for)
himself and all others similarly)
situated,)
Plaintiff,)
v.) CIVIL ACTION NO 2:06-cv-365-MEF
ALABAMA GAS)
CORPORATION,)
Defendant.)

MOTION TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS AND TO CONTINUE THE TRIAL SETTING

Defendant Alabama Gas Corporation ("Alabama Gas") moves this Court to extend the deadline for dispositive motions to August 24, 2007, and to continue the trial setting to the March 3, 2008 trial docket. In support of this Motion, Alabama Gas says as follows:

1. The current deadline for dispositive motions is July 3, 2007, the deadline for a face-to-face settlement conference is July 24, 2007, and the deadline for discovery is September 17, 2007.

- 2. The parties have had some discussions about settlement and although the discussions are preliminary, Alabama Gas believes that the likelihood of settlement may increase if the parties can avoid the expense of discovery and dispositive motions. In that regard, Alabama Gas believes that settlement may be aided if the deadline for dispositive motions is moved to after the face-to-face settlement conference.
- 3. An extension to August 24, 2007, will allow the parties sufficient time to conduct additional discovery, if any, and to file dispositive motions if the face-to-face settlement conference fails to resolve this matter.
- 4. A continuation of the current trial setting from the November 5, 2007 trial docket to the March 3, 2008 trial docket will provide the Court sufficient time to rule on the dispositive motions, if any.
 - 5. Counsel for plaintiff, Andrew Allen, does not oppose this Motion.

WHEREFORE, Alabama Gas respectfully requests that the Court extend the deadline for dispositive motions to August 24, 2007, to give the parties sufficient time to conduct any additional discovery if the case is not resolved and to give

Alabama Gas sufficient time to file a dispositive motion, if necessary, and to continue the trial setting to the March 3, 2008 docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 25, 2007, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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None.

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